AHRC International Placement Scheme 2019

This year will provide the largest number of opportunities to date, with the inclusion of a 8th Host there are now 71 placements available across the eight world-leading, international institutions.

The annual scheme, now in its 15th year, provides funded research fellowships at world-leading international research institutions for early career researchers, doctoral-level research assistants and AHRC/ESRC-funded doctoral students.

For the first time, this year the scheme will include placements at the National Museum Institute in New Delhi, alongside institutions from the USA, Japan and China. Placements to the National Museum Institute are available for 2019-2020 as a one year pilot in the first instance.

The scheme - described as an ‘IPS Fellowship’ - is designed to provide Early Career Researchers (ECRs), doctoral level research assistants and AHRC/ESRC funded doctoral students with dedicated access to the internationally renowned collections, programmes and expertise held at the IPS institutions across the world.

There are placements available at the following institutions:

- Harry Ransom Center (HRC), The University of Texas at Austin, USA – 5 placements available
- The Huntington Library, California, USA – 10 placements available
- The Library of Congress (LoC), Washington DC, USA – 25 placements available
- National Institutes for the Humanities (NIHU), Japan – 11 placements available
- National Museum Institute (NMI), New Delhi, India – 5 placements available
- Shanghai Theatre Academy (STA), Shanghai, China - 5 placements available
- Smithsonian Institution, Washington D.C., USA - 5 placements available
- The Yale Center for British Art (YCBA), Connecticut, USA - 5 placements available

*Please note that ESRC-funded students will only be eligible to apply to the Library of Congress.

The number of placements available differs between each individual institution (please see the guidance on costs section VI for the proposed numbers). Placements can be for between 2 and 6 months; the total funding awarded consists of a one off £870 stipend (for travel and visa costs) and a living stipend of £1200 for each month of the fellowship.

Aims of the scheme

- Provide ECRs, doctoral level research assistants and AHRC/ESRC*-funded doctoral students, with dedicated access to the internationally renowned collections/programmes/expertise held at the seven IPS institutions
- Enhance the depth, range and quality of research activities conducted by scholars
- Create opportunities for networking with other international scholars at those institutions.

How to make an application: